**MOTION:** LAWSON May 16, 2017 Regular Meeting

Res. No. 17-239 **SECOND: CADDIGAN** 

AUTHORIZE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO RE:

> THE COUNTY CODE TO BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017, MANDATED BY CHANGES TO STATE LAW MADE BY THE GOVERNOR AND THE 2017 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS 2 (ADMINISTRATION), 4 (ANIMAL AND FOWL), 4.5 (BAD CHECKS), 5 (BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS), 13

(MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), 16 (MISCELLANEOUS

OFFENSES), 22 (REFUSE), 26 (TAXATION), 27 (TAXICABS), AND 31

(WEAPONS); AND INITIATE ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

**ACTION: APPROVED** 

WHEREAS, the Board of County Supervisors of Prince William County, Virginia, pursuant to both general and specific authority granted by the Code of Virginia, has enacted certain provisions of Chapters 2 (Administration), 4 (Animal And Fowl), 4.5 (Bad Checks), 5 (Buildings And Building Regulations), 13 (Motor Vehicles And Traffic), 16 (Miscellaneous Offenses), 22 (Refuse), 26 (Taxation), 27 (Taxicabs), and 31 (Weapons) of the Prince William County Code to parallel certain provisions of the Code of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the parallel provisions of the Code of Virginia have been previously amended or amended by the 2017 General Assembly and the Governor of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, it is the Board's desire to conduct a public hearing for the purpose of considering adoption of corresponding amendments to the Prince William County Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board has enacted Chapter 32 of the Prince William Code. Zoning, and the Governor and General Assembly have enacted Chapters 665 and 835 of the 2017 Acts of Assembly and Chapter 613 of the 2016 Acts of Assembly, mandating changes to local zoning ordinances including provisions that deem proposed telecommunication towers or facilities constructed pursuant to Chapter 9.1, Title 56 of the Code of Virginia to be substantially in accord with the comprehensive plan and waiving the need for approval by the planning commission, changing when the appeal period commences for a zoning appeal, establishing a rebuttable presumption in a zoning appeal that the property owner's last known address is the address shown on current real estate assessments, and zoning for wireless communications infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Prince William County Board of Supervises finds that public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practices require the initiation of this zoning text amendment;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors does hereby determine that it shall conduct a public hearing to be scheduled on June 20, 2017, by the Clerk to the Board to consider the adoption of the amendments to Chapters 2, 4, 4.5, 5, 13, 16, 22, 26, 27, and 31 of the County Code, shown on the attachment to this Resolution, all to be effective July 1, 2017. The Clerk is further directed to make copies of all proposed amendments available to the public upon request;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk to the Board properly advertise notice of the public hearing for the stated purpose in a newspaper of general circulation in Prince William County;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors does hereby direct the Planning Commission and County Staff to initiate appropriate amendments to Chapter 32 of the Prince William Code, which is the Zoning Ordinance to address the Requirements of Chapters 665 and 835 of the 2017 Acts of Assembly and Chapter 613 of the 2016 Acts of Assembly.

## Votes:

Ayes: Anderson, Caddigan, Jenkins, Lawson, Nohe, Principi, Stewart

Navs: None

**Absent from Vote:** Candland **Absent from Meeting:** None

## For Information:

County Executive
Police Chief
Finance Director
Planning Director
Development Services Director
Public Works Director
Commonwealth's Attorney

ATTEST: Mullip amphell
Clerk to the Board